



City of Minnetonka Proclamation

LGBTQ+ Pride Month
June 1-30, 2021

WHEREAS, the month of June is celebrated as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month, commemorating the historic 1969 Stonewall Riots in New York City and the first Pride march in New York in June 1970; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month brings awareness to historic and present day discrimination, harassment, and violence toward Individuals who identify as LGBTQ+; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month affirms the dignity, equal rights and visibility of individuals who identify as LGBTQ+; builds community, and celebrates sexual identity diversity and gender variance; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ people have made, and continue to make, great and lasting contributions that strengthen the fabric of society; and

WHEREAS, all people deserve to live with dignity and respect, free from fear and violence, and protected against discrimination, regardless of their gender identity or sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, celebrating Pride Month influences awareness and provides support and advocacy for the LGBTQ+ community, and is an opportunity to take action and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance, and advance equal rights; and

WHEREAS, the City of Minnetonka includes the LGBTQ+ community as a part of its commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Minnetonka calls upon the community to work together to promote equal rights and eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Minnetonka does hereby proclaim June 2021 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month and call upon the people of Minnetonka to recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQ+ community and to actively promote the principles of equality, liberty, and justice.

Brad Wiersum, Mayor

June 14, 2021